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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: NUCLEIC ACIDS, PROTEINS, AND PROCESSES FOR PRODUCING
PROTEINS SUCH AS FUSION PROTEINS FOR THE SECRETION OF A
PROTEIN OF INTEREST INTO BACTERIAL SUPERNATANTS

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and
Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 35 pages, including 1 independent claim and 23 claims total.
2. Certified copy of German Application No. 101 08 212.6, filed February 20, 2001.
3. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825
4. Sequence Listing - 3 pages.
5. Sequence Listing Diskette (1 diskette)
6. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$740	\$ \$740.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	23	-	20	3	x \$18	54.00
Independent Claims	1	-	3		x \$84	
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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for
filing the Declaration.

Applicants claim the right to priority based on German Application No. 101 08
212.6, filed February 19, 2001, and benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.
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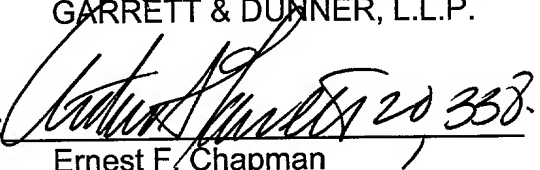
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.821-1.825

In connection with the Sequence Listing submitted concurrently herewith, the undersigned states that:

1. The content of the attached paper copy and the attached computer readable form of the Sequence Listing, submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(c) and (e), respectively, are the same; and
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